

# St Clement: Safe Routes to School

## Public Consultation Report



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# **1 Introduction**

## **1.1 Outline**

There are 3 schools within the area; two primary schools, St Clement and St Christopher, and Le Rocquier Secondary School.

St Clement Primary and Le Rocquier schools both have active travel plans. Their aspirations are to improve safety for children and families in the area to promote independent travel for older pupils and to increase active travel, in particular walking.

A review of road safety in the area, by an independent road safety advisor, highlighted a number of safety concerns. As a consequence, the Department for Infrastructure (Dfi) are looking at improving the facilities for pedestrians and cyclists.

## **1.2 Purpose of the Consultations**

The consultations are to provide a platform for members of the public to comment on the proposals. The consultations were open to everybody to try and get as many view points as possible and understanding the issues of those using the area.

A Dfi technical team were present at the consultations to ensure that attendees' needs and concerns were recorded on the questionnaire so that they can be taken into account in the development of the scheme. The purpose of the consultations is to elicit user views.

## **1.3 Stakeholder Consultations**

Dfi had consultations with the following:

- Le Rocquier School
- St Clement Primary School
- St Christopher's School
- Parish Roads Committee
- Honorary Police

## **2 Consultation Process**

### **2.1 Notification of Event**

An article was placed in the St Clement Parish magazine inviting them to attend the drop-in session.

Following comments from members of the public, a further drop-in session was arranged for a month later. Letter drops for this second session were hand delivered to 1500 properties in the area.

Both drop-in sessions were advertised in the local media and radio.

### **2.2 Event Arrangements**

The first drop-in session was held at Le Rocquier School. The event was on Wednesday 22 March between 3pm and 5:30pm.

The second drop-in session was held at the Good Companions Club on Rue de Maupertuis on Thursday 20 April between 6 and 7pm.

The technical team at both events encouraged members of the public to complete a questionnaire which was available for each person who attended the consultations. They could record their views on the proposals and add any additional comments which they felt would help the situation.

### **3 Consultation material**

#### **3.1 Display Banners**

Display banners were set up within the school foyer for the first consultation and in the main hall of the Good Companions Club for the second event. Between the two drop-in sessions, the banners were on display for a week at the school then moved to the Parish Hall. The banners described the aims of the proposals and provided an insight into the key issues. Each element of the proposals was then described in greater detail including providing artist's impressions of the interventions. The final banner detailed the next steps.

A copy of the banners can be found in Appendix A

#### **3.2 Questionnaires**

The questionnaires were designed to understand the public's concerns and issues with parking and cycling in the area. It asked them whether they were responding as a student, parent/guardian or as a local resident. It then went on to ask how often they used the area and in what capacity. They were also asked if they believed there was a need for improvements in the area and whether the proposals would be of benefit. They were then able to add any additional comments which they thought may be of benefit.

## **4 Responses to the Consultation**

### **4.1 Number of Questionnaires Returned**

A total of 147 responses to the consultation have been received. The number of questionnaires per event is as follows:

Thirty (30) questionnaires were completed and returned by those visiting the consultation at the school on 22 March.

Fifty-nine (59) questionnaires were completed and returned by the school whilst the banners were there between 22 – 30 March.

Thirty-nine (39) questionnaires were completed and returned by those visiting the consultation at the Good Companions Club on 20 April.

Four questionnaires were filled in at the Parish Hall whilst the banners were on display there.

A further 16 responses were sent via the website.

Analysis of the responses will show the combined results followed by the results from each different session. Comments sent in via the website will be listed separately as they do not necessary address the questions posed on the questionnaire.

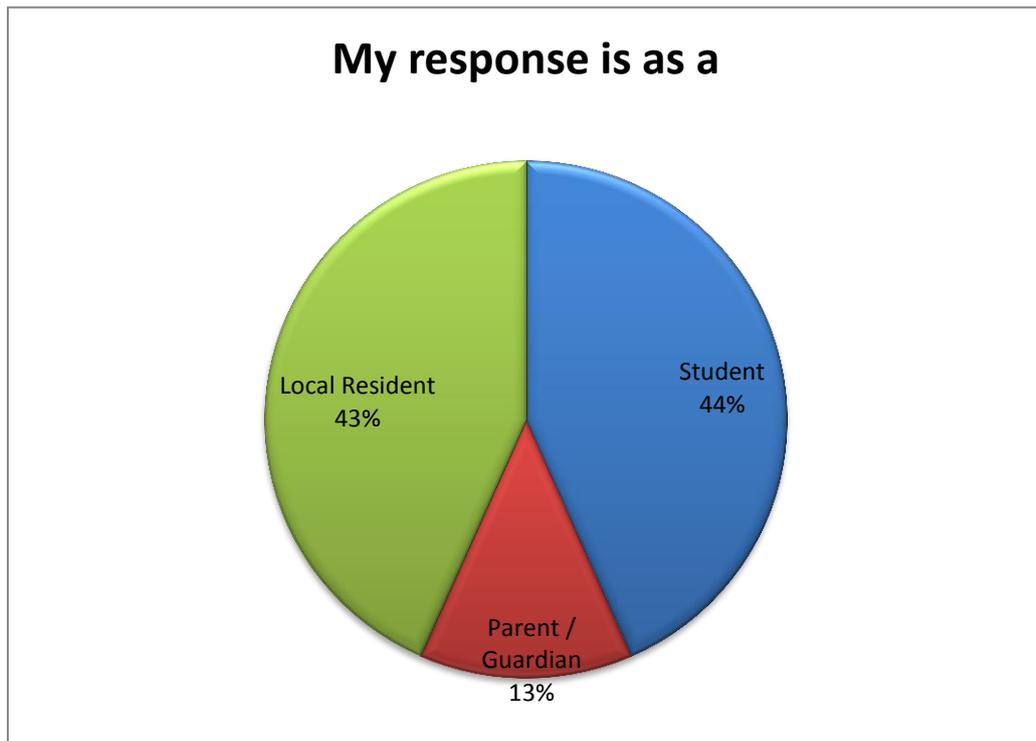
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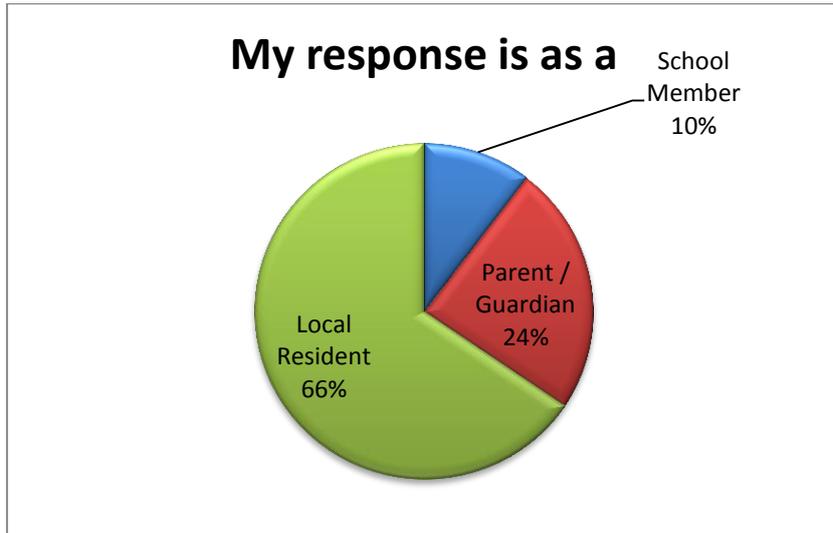
Are you a

	Student		Parent / Guardian		Local Resident	
<b>Total</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>43%</b>
First Consultation	3	10%	7	24%	19	66%
School	56	95%	2	3%	1	2%
Parish Hall	0	-	3	75%	1	25%
Second Consultation	0	-	6	14%	38	86%

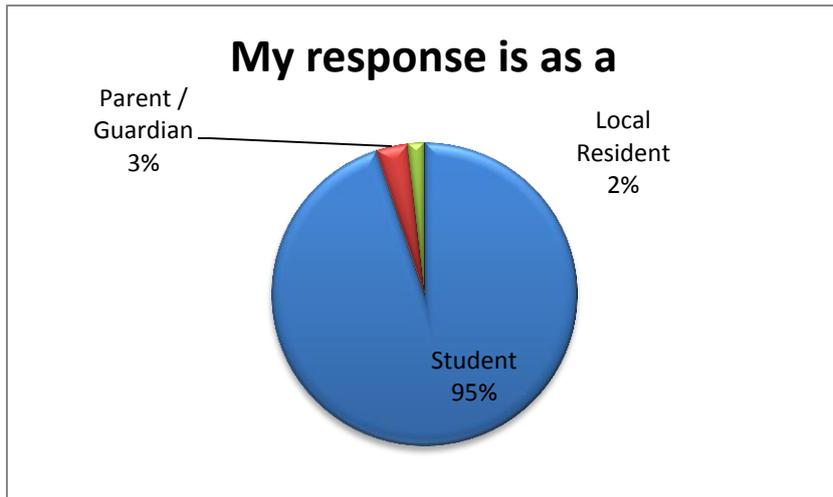
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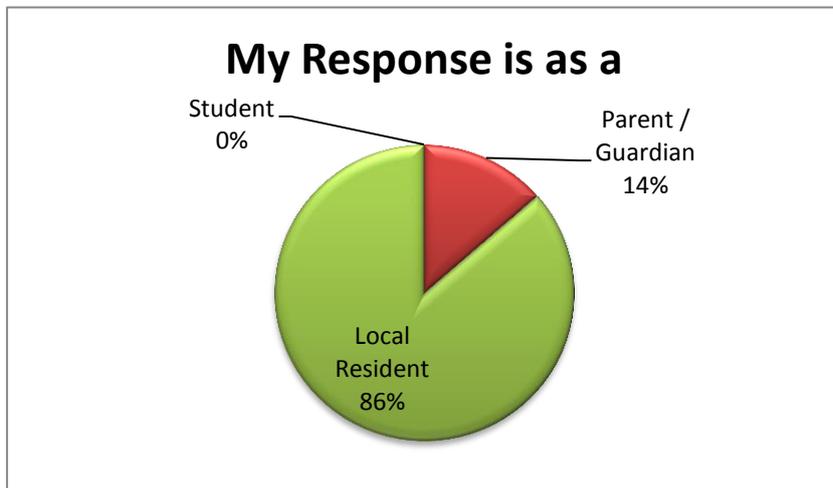
**Response from First Drop-in**



**Response from School**



**Response from Second Drop-in**



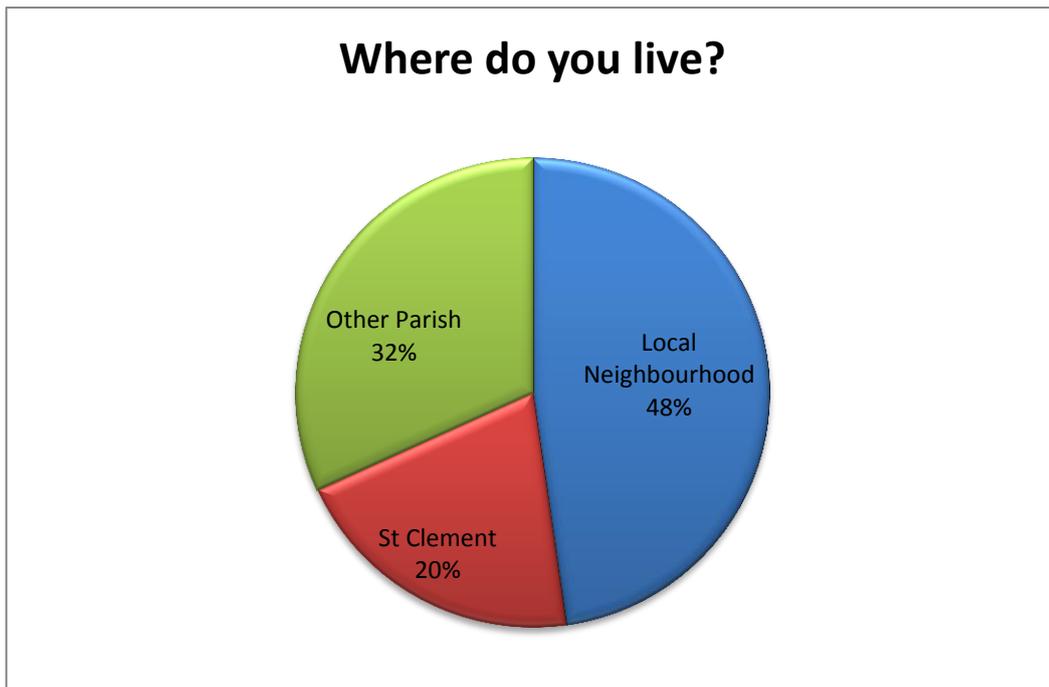
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Question 1

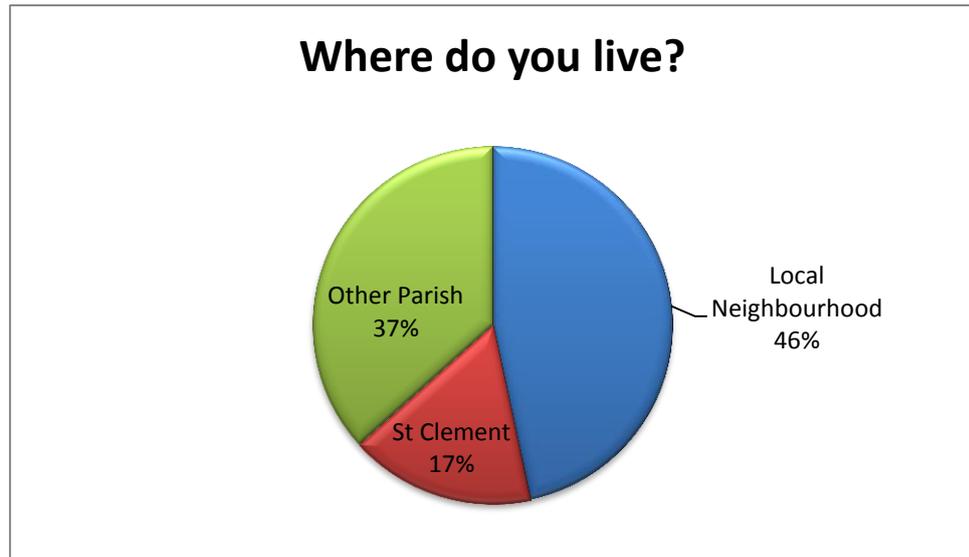
Where do you live?

	Local neighbourhood		St Clement		Other Parish	
<b>Total</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>32%</b>
First Consultation	14	46%	5	17%	11	37%
School	10	17%	19	32%	30	51%
Parish Hall	3	75%	0	-	1	25%
Second Consultation	36	92%	3	8%	0	-

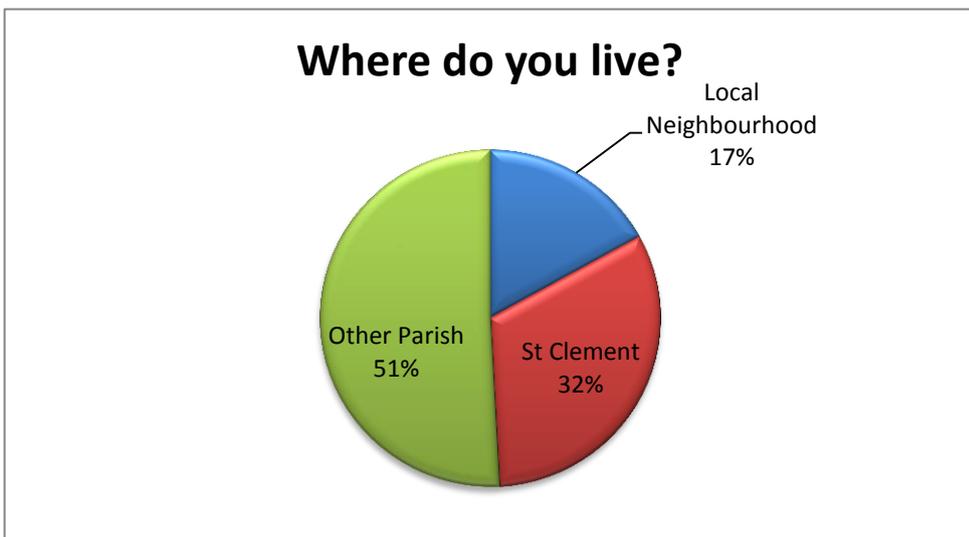
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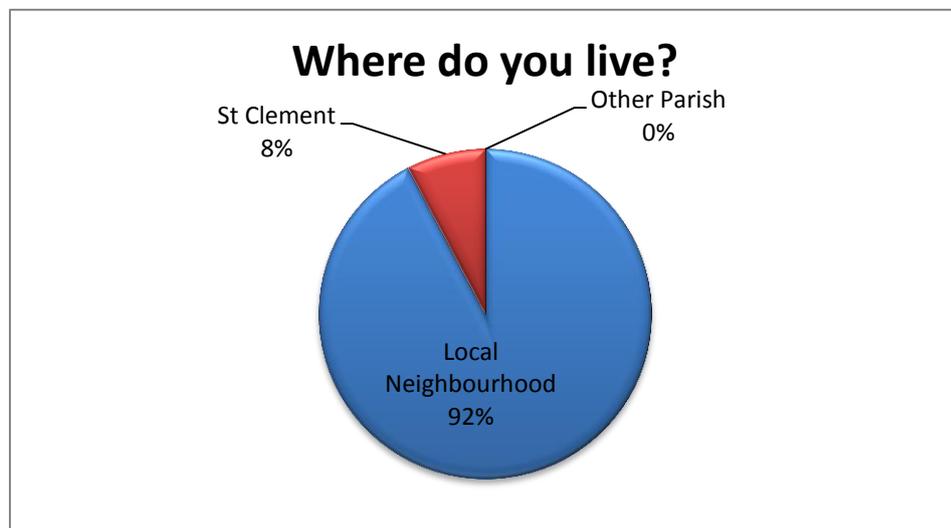
**Response from First Drop-in Session**



**Response from School**



**Response from Second Drop-in Session**

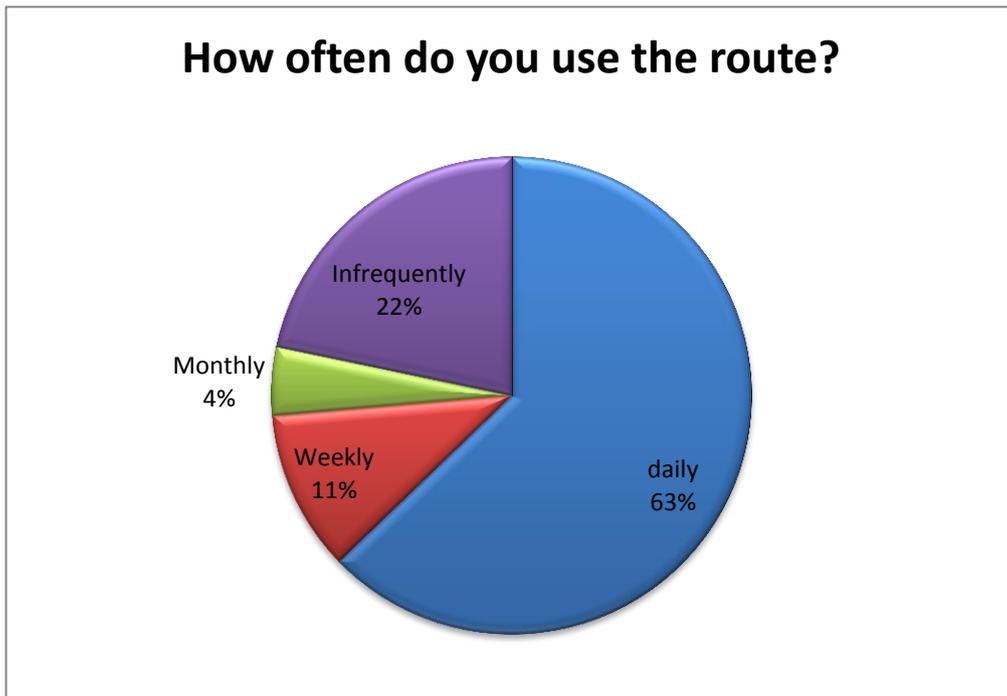


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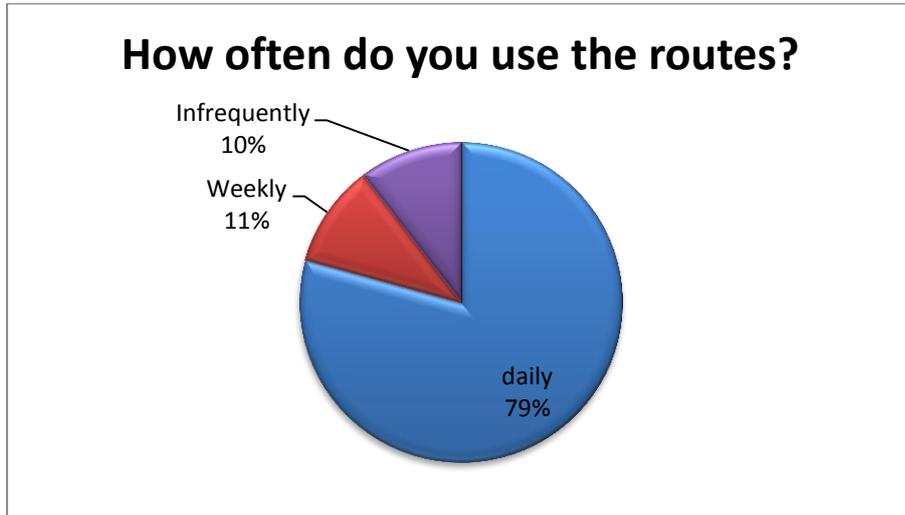
Question 2

How often do you use these routes?

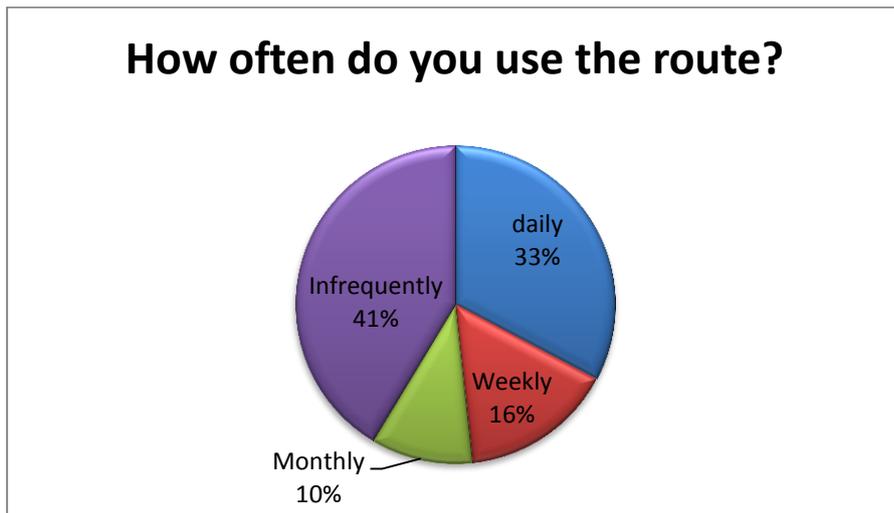
	Daily		Weekly		Monthly		Infrequently	
<b>Total</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>22%</b>
First Consultation	23	79%	3	11%	0	-	3	10%
School	19	33%	9	16%	6	10%	24	41%
Parish Hall	4	100%	0	-	0	-	0	-
Second Consultation	35	92%	2	5%	0	-	1	3%



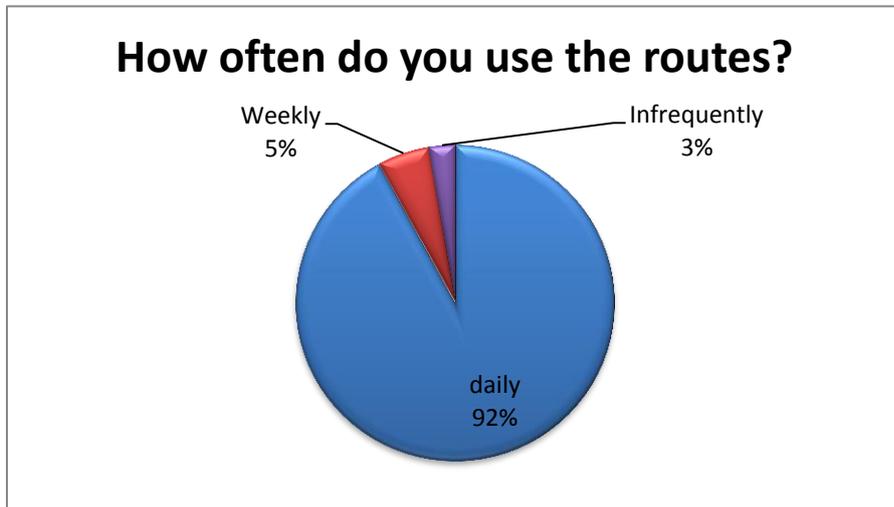
**Response from First Drop-in Session**



**Response from School**



**Response from Second Drop-in Session**

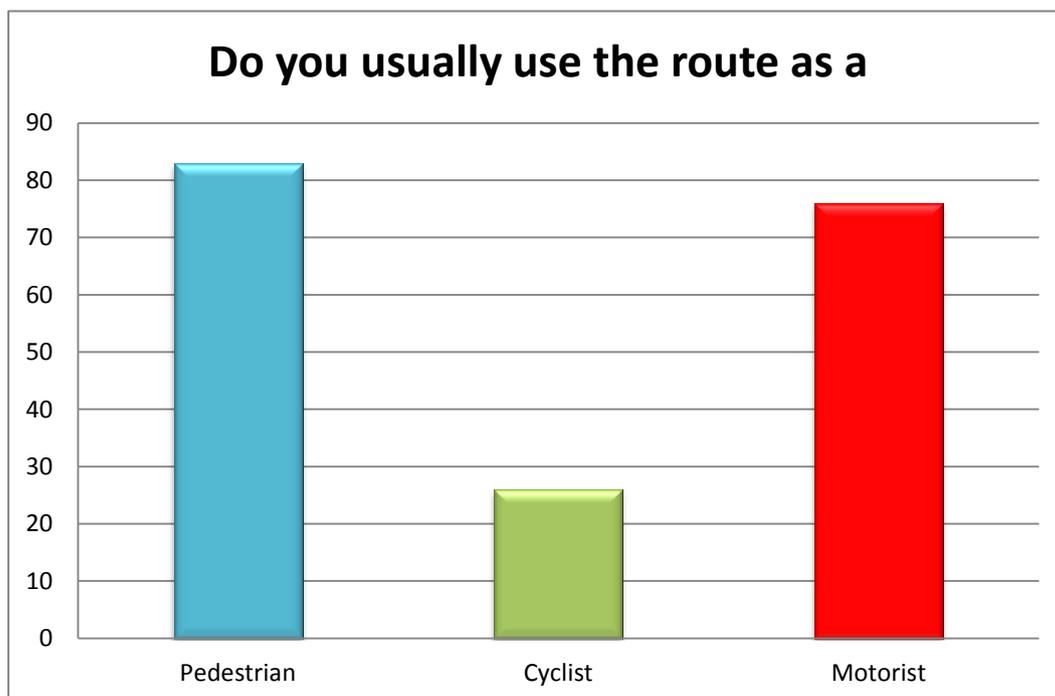


#### 4.5 Analysis of Question 3

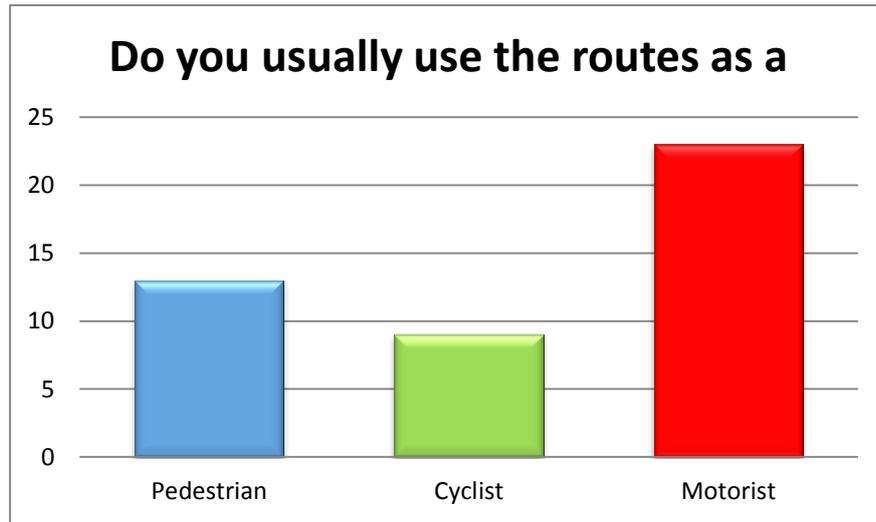
##### Question 3

Do you usually use the route as a?

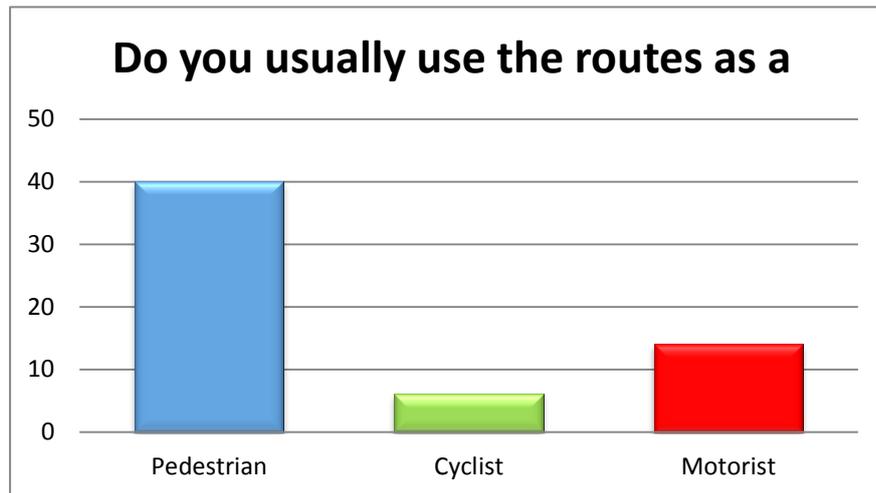
	Pedestrian	Cyclist	Motorist
<b>Total</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>76</b>
First Consultation	13	9	23
School	40	6	14
Parish Hall	2	1	4
Second Consultation	28	10	35



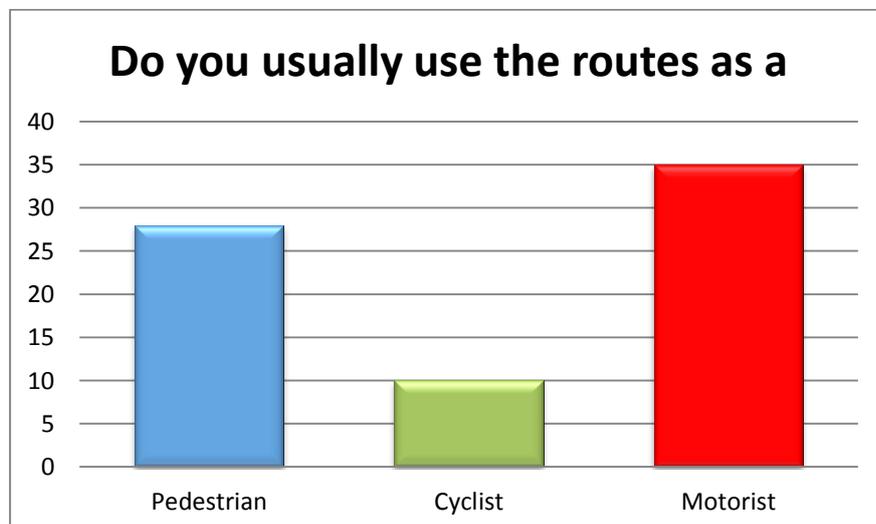
**Response from First Drop-in Session**



**Response from School**



**Response from Second Drop-in Session**

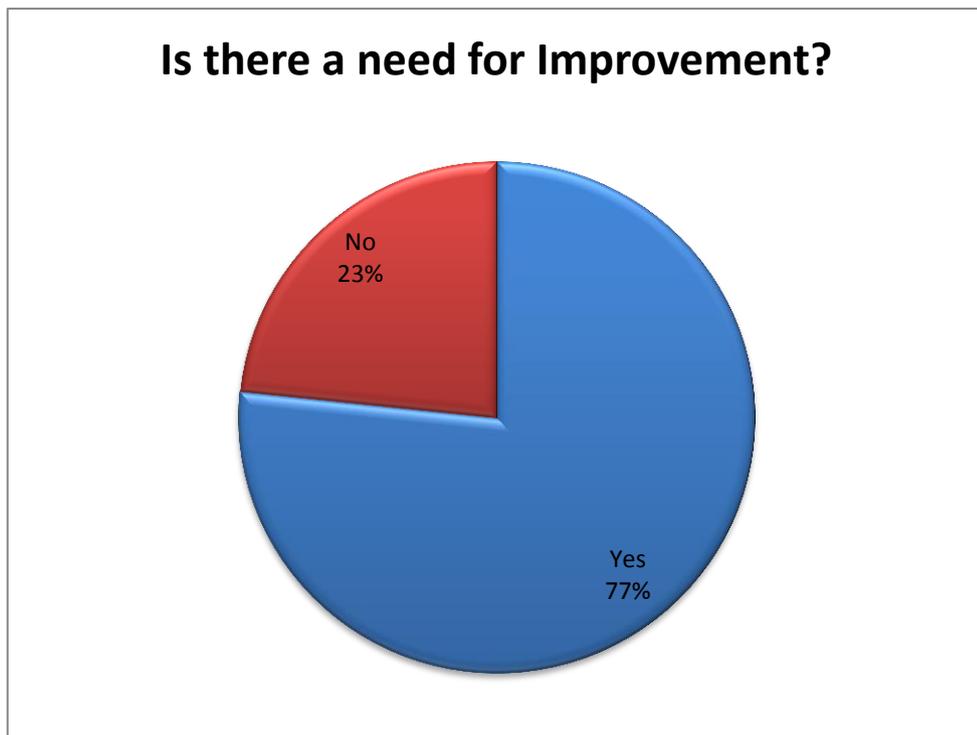


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##### Question 4

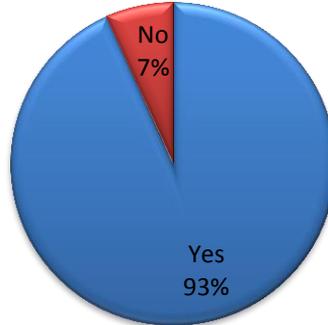
Is there a need for improvements for walking and cycling?

	Yes		No	
<b>Total</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>23%</b>
First Consultation	28	93%	2	7%
School	40	69%	18	31%
Parish Hall	2	50%	2	50%
Second Consultation	29	81%	7	19%



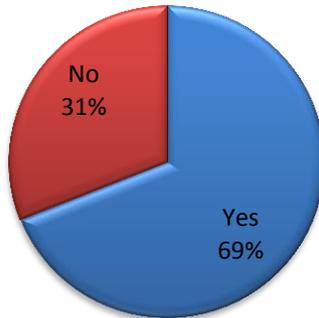
**Response from First Drop-in Session**

**Is there a need for improvements?**



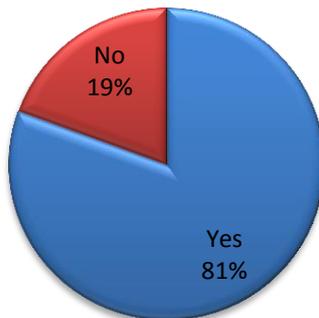
**Response from School**

**Is there a need for Improvements?**



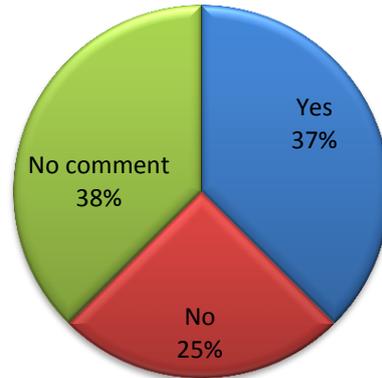
**Response from Second Drop-in Session**

**Is there a need for improvement?**



Response from gov.je website

**Is there a need for improvement?**



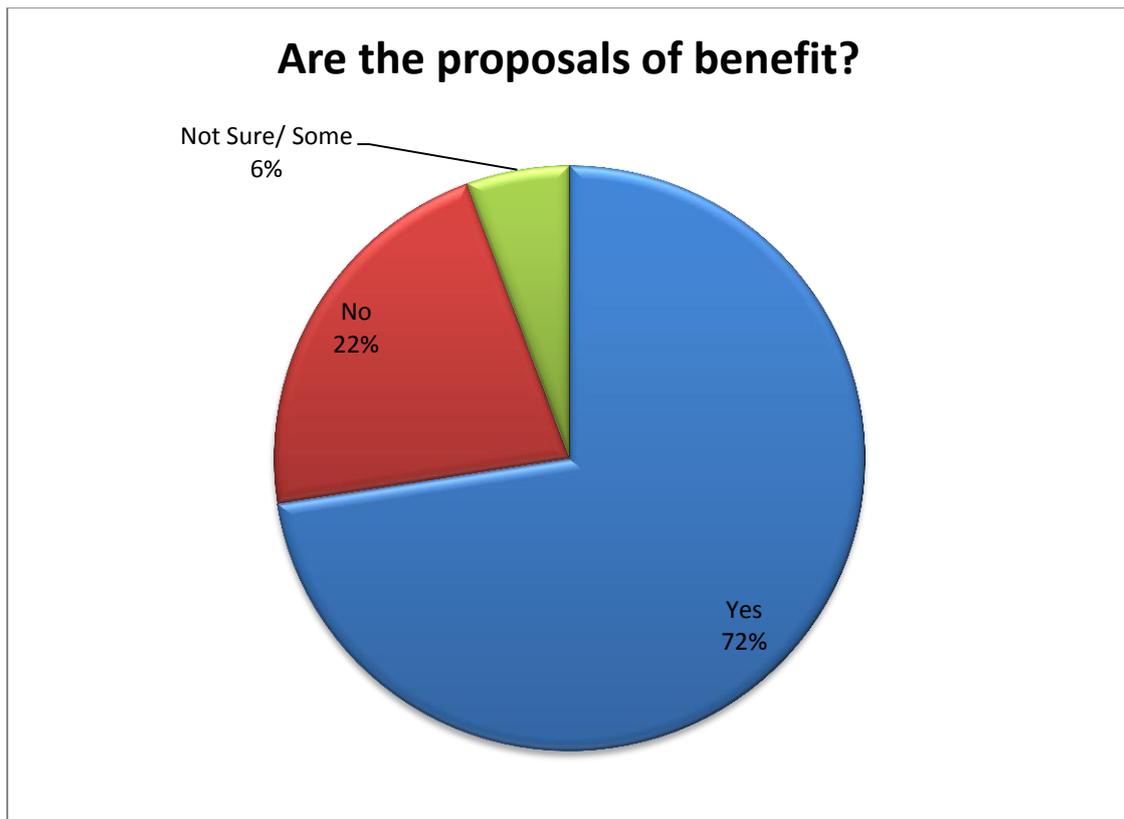
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*Question 5*

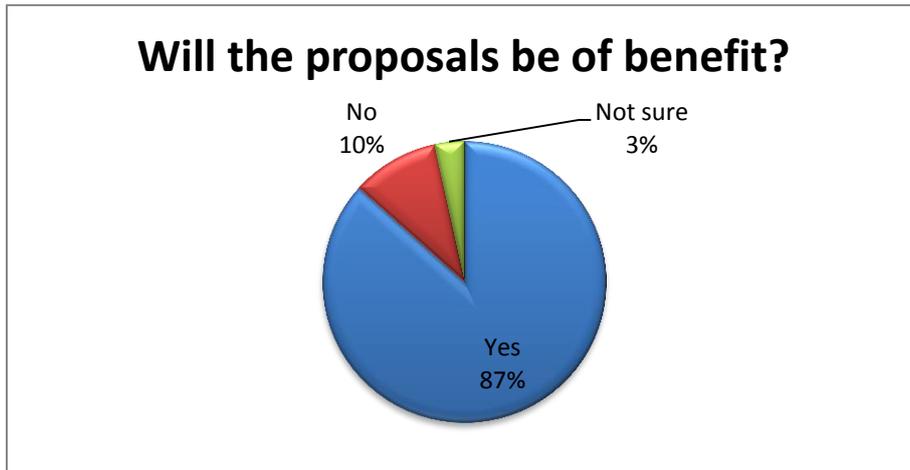
Do you agree that the proposals would be of benefit?

	Yes		No		Not sure / Some	
<b>Total*</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6%</b>
First Consultation	26	87%	3	10%	1	3%
School	50	86%	8	14%		
Parish Hall	1	25%	3	75%		
Second Consultation	20	51%	11	28%	8	21%

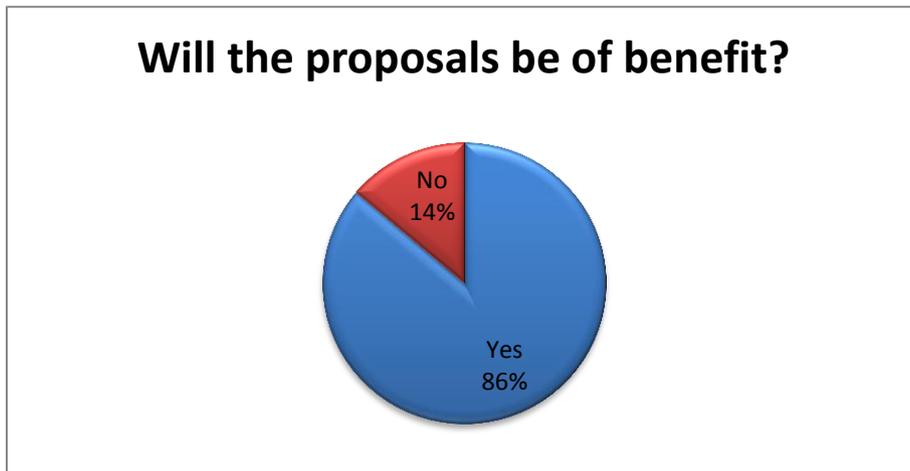
\*Includes direct comments made via the website



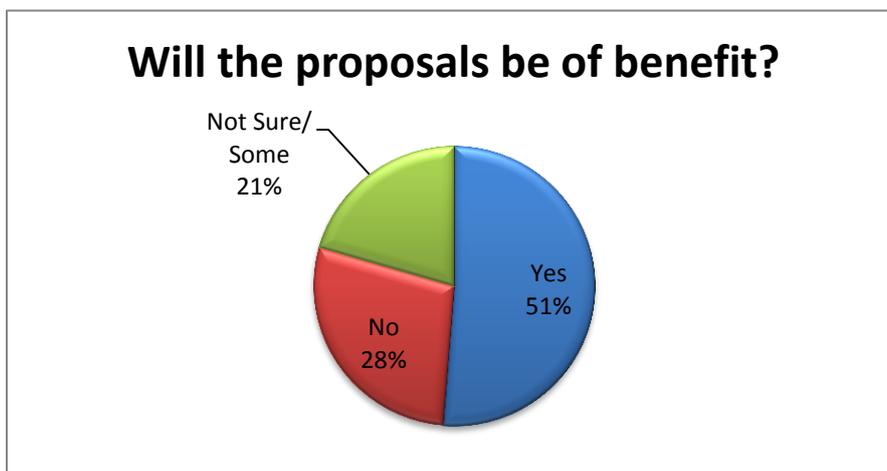
**Response from First Drop-in Session**



**Response from School**

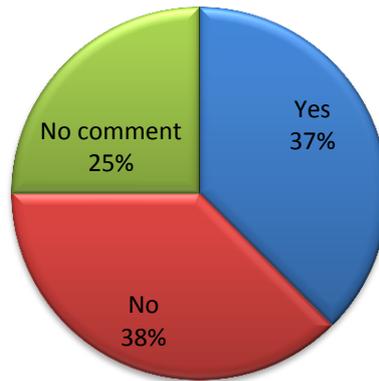


**Response from Second Drop-in Session**



Response from gov.je website

**Will the proposals be of benefit?**



#### 4.8 Summary of Free Form Comments

The key issues relating from the consultation events are included in Appendix B and may be summarised as follows:

- Fourteen people suggested that school children need to be more aware of the rules of the road, in particular the Highway Code when riding a cycle.
- There were 12 comments regarding the issues of vehicles parking near to the junction on Pontorson lane.
- Eleven responders requested a lower speed limit in the area.
- Ten people said no to closing off Rue de Maupertuis whilst 5 people stated it was a good idea.
- Nine commented that the proposals would make the area safer.
- Four requested additional measures on Rue de Samares.
- Three people requested that the school hours were adjusted to stagger the starting and finishing times of the three schools in the area.
- There were 2 comments for each of the following:
  - Put speed bumps along Rue de Maupertuis
  - Make Rue de Maupertuis one way only
  - Provide a path along Rue de Maupertuis
  - Against the construction of raised tables at the junction
- One additional comment asked about widening the pavements in the area.

## 5 Responses from Stakeholders

### Stakeholder 1

██████████ has an Eco travel plan.

To be able to cycle, pupils need to have cycling proficiency

30%+ don't live within the catchment area

A lot of traffic comes through from Rue de Maupertuis.

Both schools finish at the same time and ██████████ pupils dominate the area. Parents are not keen on allowing mixing.

Can't see a downside to the proposals

Parking is difficult with ██████████ – Use bollards to prevent illegal parking

Change the right of way at Pontorson Lane

### Stakeholder 2

Some residents of Beech Avenue go against the No Entry sign, is there the possibility of moving it back so that they can enter via Pontorson Lane

Children use informal walkway along field C129/128/124 and onto Samares Lane

### Stakeholder 3

Can the roads be closed by the roads committee or by parish assembly?

Rue de Maupertuis is used as a rat run, especially if the Coast Road is blocked / accident etc

██████████ school used to finish and clear before ██████████ finished

Issue with fields becoming unviable which will lead to them going for development. One member against.

Raised tables agreed in principle by all.

#### Stakeholder 4

Parking on Pontorson Lane – [REDACTED] felt moving it will cause an issue elsewhere which was agreed by [REDACTED] and some members

Road closure on Rue de Maupertuis – other options which were considered discussed. When the road was closed for the drain collapse it was not seen as an issue.

It was felt that de-mountable bollards would be preferred to planters

Biggest issue is that both Rue de Maupertuis and Le Squez would both be closed.

In a couple of years may not be able to go past Marks and Spencer to Rue de Maupertuis.

Reduce the speed limits as flashing signs are often ignored.

What is time limit of works as the Inner Road will be closed whilst Samares Nurseries site starts up. There needs to be management of the roads closures.

Change the routes to green lanes.

Temporary closure morning and afternoon during school term time.

Makes more sense than through the playing field as pupils from Le Squez will go straight on to Rue Chapelle and cycle the wrong way and through St Clement Primary school.

General consensus is that there is no problem with the proposals.

#### Stakeholder 5

Supportive of measures

Will make the area safer for school children

## 6 Responses to the gov.je website

1

Please accept this as my comments relating to the proposed closure of the road to through traffic. I am unable to attend the drop in session but would like my comments against the plan noted.

Whilst I accept safety is a key priority it is also unfair to close the road off permanently when the road is only being used by schoolchildren heading to/from Le Rocquier School (– I have never seen any primary school (St Christopher’s & St Clement’s children actually walk through that lane) at certain times of the day; ie at the start of & end of the school day. Surely it would make more sense that if this must be done for safety then go ahead & close this road to through traffic between say 8 & 9am & between 3 & 4pm! Enough time for children to get safely through the lane to get to & from school – It seem that to close it at all times & weekends & holidays is a little bit of Health & safety overkill surely? You will still have vehicles using the road anyway – stating they are using it to “access premises” so why make potential criminals out of people when you don’t need to!

[REDACTED]

Please think about all aspects & consider the feelings of Parishoners who have to use the road daily – not just the minority of a few children going to Le Rocquier School.

I look forward to hearing from you & your thoughts

**2**

The proposed safety changes seem very sensible, however, the road parking at the top end of Rue de Pontlietaut is also a danger and needs addressing in my opinion.

**3**

I have just seen this e-mail regarding the proposed Safer Routes, I have only seen this because I am on the e-mailing list of the Parish. I have checked the JEP classifieds for today and there is nothing regarding this Drop In Session. On another note the number of residents that live in Le Marais, Le Benefice and Le Petit Marais as well as Le Petit Hinguettes, La Selliere are numerous. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] So I suggest that this is advertised correctly and that an evening Drop In can be arranged so hard working people of the parish can attend.

Did DFI think they could just get this passed if most of the Parishioners didn't know about it. Does traffic calming measures mean a replay of St Mary's, St Aubin's recent road works and costs?

[REDACTED] I remember when you could drive from St Clements Inner Road to Rue De Maupertuis through Le Squez Estate and the traffic was two-way.

I remember a few years ago there was a very bad traffic accident on the Coast Road just before rush-hour, the Parish Police diverted east bound traffic along Rue de Maupertuis. The speed limit has changed throughout the Parish. But when walking along the Inner Road to St Clements Football Pitch the speed of some far exceeds the 40 miles per hour.

As I have seen children in Le Marais, on the roads walking or cycling they have no idea of the highway code or the dangers on roads. But surely the parents and Education should make sure they know the highway code. Such as The Cycling Proficiency Test before taking your bike on the road to school, but perhaps this has been dropped due to the cost? If children aren't taught how to use the public highway then they won't know any better as an adult!

I did a school run some years ago to Grainville School, and the worst drivers I have ever seen are Parents, they drive anywhere and park anywhere regardless of if their actions are safe or not. Perhaps the Parish Police could place themselves on roads around the schools and witness the poor road behaviour of School Children and Parents.

**4**

It would be interesting to know what happened to the responses which were made for the last "email shot" on this subject.

**5**

During the weekend I have made contact with residents of Rue de la Croix, Rue de Samares, Rue de Maupertuis, and Rue de Pontlietaut and it would appear that St. Clement's Parish Magazine is not as well read as perhaps you and the editorial team would wish.

I wish to state that I am not against the proposed safety measures per se but I am against what is being perceived as an attempt to slip these proposed changes in "under the radar".

I have watched the ITV news coverage and find it unsurprisingly very biased towards your proposal.

I therefore request that rather than a one to one presentation, you voluntarily hold another open presentation, similar to the one held for the Parish Hall cycle track.

I suggest the Parish Hall at a more suitable time of day and at a date properly publicised giving residents and Parishioners in general the opportunity to attend and express their views on a project which will have a massive affect on the area in which we live.

In the recent past a speed meter was fitted [REDACTED] in Rue de la Croix can you please tell me who has the data obtained.

6

I am writing to object to the consultation process on the proposed safer routes to St Clement Schools.

I live at [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] have the following objections to the process so far:

1. Parishioners were informed via a parish newsletter only one week before the consultation meeting took place. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

2. The consultation meeting was held at Le Rocquier School and was therefore aimed to attract parents of children at that school. Residents without children at that school wishing to meet would therefore be in the minority and, for some of the more elderly residents, it would have been an intimidating prospect.

3. The meeting was on a weekday between 3-5.30pm. Again, this was aimed to attract parents collecting from Le Rocquier school at that time. No working parent would have been able to attend nor would any other working resident. It feels like it was designed to be an under the radar meeting.

4. The consultation process is only for 6 days. This is not long enough for a proper consultative process.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

As we were not, as key residents, able to attend the poorly advertised consultation meeting, it may be that some of the issues raised below have been considered. In the absence of such information, we have the following points in relation to the proposal:

1. Pedestrianisation of Rue de Maupertuis

This is a blunt instrument to effect change which is only required (if at all) for one hour in the morning and one hour in the afternoon, term time only.

Rue de Maupertuis is an important route for us to access town and the west of the Island. I do not use Rue de Samares as it is a single track road with a dangerous, horrid junction with La Grande Route de la Cote. It has a mirror which is difficult to use and the coast road is typically very busy in the morning and evenings.

In order to let vehicles pass each other on Rue de Samares, one typically needs to mount the narrow pavement. More traffic will use this route if Rue de Maupertuis is closed to traffic and it will be much more dangerous for the many school children, residents and dog walkers using this road.

The Inner road from Rue de Samares going north is also a four way junction with cars and dog walkers coming from La Blinerie (a Green Lane) as well as many school children, school buses plus traffic from both directions. Traffic and pollution on La Blinerie, a green lane, is going to increase with people cutting through to Longueville to avoid the already dreadful queues at the tennis courts at St Clement.

The only other option is to travel up Rue de la Croix, which has many houses and elderly residents, and cars frequently parked on both sides and then to turn left onto Rue de Pontlietaut and then again onto St Clements Inner Road. This is even more dangerous as at peak times, school children and cyclists are weaving in and out of the cars, usually walking 3 or 4 abreast with headphones and with very little regard for traffic. Closing Rue de Maupertuis is going to dramatically increase the traffic on Rue de la Croix. It is an accident waiting to happen.

Due to the two blind corners on Rue de Maupertuis, cars are typically very cautious and do not drive at speed. To my knowledge, there have not been any injuries caused to school children who again, are usually walking in groups or some cut across the fields.

What is the status of the application to build a cycle track on Rue de Maupertuis. I cannot now find any information on this online and yet I do remember a draft consent/consultation in relation to this extension of the Eastern Cycle corridor. Surely any cycle track could be shared use with pedestrians?

Is this infrastructure change a way of improving the chances for the Samares Nurseries development by Andium Homes? All of the traffic problems listed above are only going to be exacerbated by the arrival of 200 new families at the Samares Nurseries development.

## 2. Proposed raised table at the Rue de Maupertuis junction

We moved from [REDACTED] and were very relieved to leave the speed bumps and raised tables behind.

There is no evidence that speed bumps help to reduce speed. In fact, typically it encourages drivers to speed, particularly with a raised table there is space to accelerate before taking off again!

This will be particularly marked if there is no vehicular access to Rue de Maupertuis. Rue de Samares will become a fast rat run between the inner and coast roads at St Clement.

Speed bumps increase the pollution in the area, with vehicles having to slow down and speed up again, and it is very noisy. [REDACTED]

Has any thought been given to putting a zebra crossing along the junctions on Rue de Samares instead? Or a Lollipop lady at peak times?

### 3. Rue de Pontlietaut Raised table

As stated above, there is no evidence that a raised table reduces speed. It increases environmental pollution in an area with lots of schools.

Again, why can't you put a zebra crossing here? This will alert drivers to the likelihood of pedestrians crossing. The visual splay at this junction is already very good indeed. Also, you need to put double yellow lines as we get parents parking on the northern sector of Rue de la Croix which means if you are trying to turn right into Rue de la Croix from Rue de Pontlietaut you have to swing very wide to access the lane.

What evidence is there of threat to the children at this junction. Has anyone actually been injured?

In general, while I understand that there needs to be a safe walking route to school, I have not seen any evidence of the requirement for these dramatic and expensive 'precautions;. Most children at St Christophers are driven to school by parents or on the minibuses and do not walk. Most children at St Clements School are accompanied by their parents. The Le Rocquier children would be better served by educating them about walking in single file and not listening to music while crossing roads or walking 4 abreast.

I look forward to receiving details of a more meaningful consultation and evidence for these expensive and, in my view, heavy handed proposed consultations.

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. Entrance and egress from the car port is often hampered by poor parking opposite, on the north side of the road, 15m from the junction. Can this area be protected by a yellow line please.

Also, vehicles park on the right side of the road, rue le Pontletaut, north of the junction, causing southbound traffic to travel on the wrong side of the road when approaching the junction. This is a hazard for both pedestrians and vehicles exiting Rue de la Croix.

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The sooner the better these proposed changes are carried out. In the interim maybe make Rue De Maupertuis a 15mph and police it like you do Le Blinerie. I've been using this route to Le Rocquier at 8am and 3pm only going , not returning as it is so jam packed with kids that it's impassable , for the last [REDACTED] years. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

I have had a few near misses in the lane especially with mopeds speeding from the opposite direction, and sometimes cars. Put a spanner in the works when a large removal van, an oil tanker or a flat bed lorry comes zooming through this lane at 30mph as that is the speed limit, which is far too fast. It's not only school Kids, there are dog walkers , general walkers and I even came across a man walking a Shetland pony down there one day.

Years ago I used to cut through Le squez until they closed the road but that was a far safer option than Rue De Maupertuis.

When making this lane no entry to cars maybe some kind of other barrier rather than planters as I bet the motorcycles and mopeds will still go down there as a short cut regardless of the no entry signs.

The sooner this lane is sorted the better. Kids walk 4 or 5 abreast with earphones in totally oblivious to cars behind them trying to get through. I've had children mess around and push their friend literally into the path of my car. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] go no more than 20mph down there, any faster and it's too dangerous.

Another thing to think of is every route to Le Rocquier is via a lane from Le Squez/ Le Marais. Samares Lane, Ponterson lane and le Hocq lane. So there is no main road into school.

Another huge issue is at 3pm both schools coming out at the same time is madness. In my opinion when Le Rocquier used to come out at 3.10pm at least St Clement School was clear. It's chaos, [REDACTED] Rue De la Chapelle at 3.05pm daily and with all the cars parked outside St Christopher's, with parents picking up from St Clements it's a disaster. There should be barriers continued along there to prevent on road parking. There are cars squeezing past the parked cars and others having to mount the cobbled pavement on the left. There are mounds of primary schools kids and you have to really concentrate on the left no to knock a pupils arm Or their bag. That road is not wide enough for 2 cars. [REDACTED] ponterson lane [REDACTED] is a disaster with le Rocquier kids walking in the road and exiting the field on their bikes , doing wheelies up the road riding 4 a breast sometimes and looking behind them totally oblivious to oncoming cars!! Even then this lane is too narrow at most points for 2 cars. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

There are a lot of issues there.

I never see school teachers or honorary police policing the situation. It's dyer and I really don't know how there hasn't been more accidents. Nearly every day we witness so many close calls.

Let's get this sorted and keep our parish school kids safe.

## 9

I applaud the Parish in their attempt to reduce fast moving traffic on these routes. [REDACTED] have first-hand experience on a daily basis as to how much this road is used as a fast cut-through by various drivers, at various times of the day, seven days a week. It not only puts school children at risk, but out of school hours it puts normal pedestrians at risk as they enjoy the countryside walks.

One suggestion I would have is on the plan item "1" (Rue du Maupertuis bends) it shows 1 x planter in place to prevent through traffic. I would politely suggest that 3 x planters be used, placed in a tight "chicane" format, as to place one would still allow fast motorcycles to have access at speed. (the main culprits and danger threat as I would see it currently.) This tight "chicane" format would still allow walkers and cyclists ease of access but would prevent the motorcyclists from doing so at speed. This could be placed at the south of the opposite field entrances to allow the farmer access to the fields. (the same position as when they were placed when the road was closed during repair work to the sewage water pipes a few years back.)

**10**

Dear Sirs, I am unable to attend the meeting on 20th April. [REDACTED] went to both St Clement and Le Rocquier School. We campaigned for years for a lower traffic speed on this road although of course now it is at least subject to a max of 30mph.

However, these proposals do nothing to teach children to exercise caution in crossing at these junctions. In addition, raised ramps are not the answer - particularly on Rue de la Croix, where ramps will only be used as fun-ramps by young cyclists which will launch them into Samares Lane at greater speed. I am also particularly opposed to the proliferation of signage in the parish. There is a sign on a lamp-post at every turn, more signs do not mean better safety in fact I believe that motorists become blind to them. I also do not agree to any signage on the road at the Rue de Samares junction showing school children given that it is at least a quarter of a mile to the nearest school.

Bearing in mind that the schools are only open during term time and school children are only using these crossings twice a day; these proposals are wholly inappropriate. If children crossing at these junctions at certain times of days during term-time are to have right of way then a system commensurate with that challenge should be considered but these proposals are nothing more than an expensive attempt to signal traffic calming. I shall continue to resist the continued proliferation of signage and urbanisation of the parish. It will not make these junctions safer for children.

**11**

I would be grateful if my comments could be sent to the correct department. I am so relieved to see that something is going to change regarding the very dangerous roads to and from St Clements schools. It has been an accident waiting to happen. I agree with your changes but also feel Rue des Samares should be looked at also. [REDACTED] and the through traffic has increased excessively. Motor bikes speed down the lane, lorries taking short cuts... it's endless. Children walk to school this way as well and I am surprised this road has not been taken into consideration and made traffic to premises only. The lane seems to be used mostly as a through road to the inner road which is not necessary. [REDACTED] was nearly run into the wall at the bend nearer the top of the lane near Rue de Maupertuis by a speeding car.

I also feel that pupils who cycle should be made more aware that it is necessary to stop at the yellow lines. Since taking [REDACTED] to Samares School since last September it's been just pure luck I have not seen a pupil run down. It is time that St Clement had some proper cycle lanes as have most other Parishes and I am in agreement with any reasonable idea that will make these roads and lanes safer for all.



**14**

Since the closure of the road through Le Squez there are only two exits, Le Mare slipway or Rue de Maupertuis. If Rue de Maupertuis to La Grande Route de St Clement was closed to motor traffic all residents of Le Squez, Le marais and Le Benefice would have to go via the coast road. At present it is difficult enough to get on the coast road and when Le Squez is finished it will be worse.

Pupils only walk mornings and afternoons in term time. Some flashing lights, as are in use in other schools might suffice. Pupils should learn to walk into oncoming traffic and keep to the correct side of the road. In that way Rue de Maupertuis could remain open all through the year.

Thank you for your kind attention.

**15**

I was unable to attend the public meeting for the above issue last week, and while I doubt little will change to the proposed plans I'd like to suggest the following...

A complete closure of Rue de Maupertuis to traffic is not necessary, and would be a nuisance to those needing to get in that direction from Le Squez (not only during school term time, but at other times too). I presume the only other alternative would be to go via Green Island, only to end up a matter of yards from where you began?

An allocated pedestrian 'path' along that road would be a much more logical solution, if common sense were to prevail - like the one in place on Rue de Jambart in St Clement. It would provide students with a safer route, and may in fact stop them from walking three or four abreast in the middle of the road - seemingly oblivious to the traffic coming from behind (a regular occurrence each morning).

I appreciate that children's safety is the top priority, and that Rue de Maupertuis was closed for a long period not too long ago, but to close it voluntarily for the sake of 60 minutes each day, during term time only, seems a little drastic.

**16**

If Maupertuis Lane is closed permanently as is proposed, can attention be paid to the only Coast Road access junctions, at School Road and, particularly, the main one, exiting Maupertuis Lane at La Mare Slip? This latter junction now has to cope with far more traffic than was once the case, because of the extensive building which has taken place over the years with apparently little thought given to traffic flow. At peak times it's difficult and potentially dangerous to get on to the Coast Road.

It's true that comparatively few people choose to use Maupertuis Lane "northwards", but it does provide an alternative route, otherwise the Coast Road will be the only means of getting to and from town, Gorey, Georgetown or the Inner Road and all areas beyond.

Of course the children need to be kept safe and encouraged to continue to walk and cycle (please don't suggest bussing them home); but would there be any way of providing paths, leaving the already narrow lane for slow motor traffic?

I'm sorry that I have no practical solutions to this problem which has been allowed to worsen over the past fifty years. I'm just suggesting that forcing traffic into ever-increasing circles to get from A to B is not necessarily the best way.

## 7 **Summary**

From the analysis of the returned questionnaires, there is a desire to improve and create safer walking and cycling routes around Rue de Maupertuis, Rue de Samares and Pontorson Lane to the three schools in the area.

Overall, 77% of responders to the questionnaires think there is a need for improvements with 72% believing that the proposals will be of benefit.

The responses sent in via the website differ from those sent in via the questionnaires. Of those where a comparison can be made, 37.5% thought there was a need for improvement whilst 25% did not. Only 37.5% thought the proposals would be of benefit and the same percentage said they would not be of benefit. The remaining responses did not indicate either way.

## **8 Conclusion**

It can be concluded from the responses received that there is a desire to walk and cycle in the area in a safer manner.

However, some of the proposals were received in a more favourable light than others.

## 9 **Next Steps**

The report and proposals will be presented to the Roads Committee for a second time for their comments and approval.

Following this, a parish assembly will be held to determine the final outcome of the proposals.

If the proposals are agreed at the parish assembly, work will move onto the design phase, which will consider comments received relevant to the detailed design.

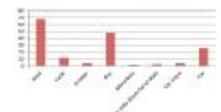
## **Appendix A – Consultation Display Panels**

# WHAT IS THE PROJECT:

**THE AIM IS TO IMPROVE WALKING AND CYCLING ROUTES LINKING LE MARAIS AND LE SQUEZ AREAS WITH ST CLEMENT'S SCHOOLS TO ENCOURAGE ACTIVE STUDENT TRAVEL, REDUCING CAR CONGESTION AND CONTRIBUTING TO STUDENTS' HEALTH.**



## WALKING & CYCLING LA ROCQUIER PUPILS SURVEY RESULTS



How do you normally travel TO or FROM school?  
 Almost half (48%) of pupils WALK AND CYCLE to and from Le Rocquier and St Clement Schools.



Where do you usually travel from?  
 Over half of pupils travel from the West via Le Marais/Le Squez.

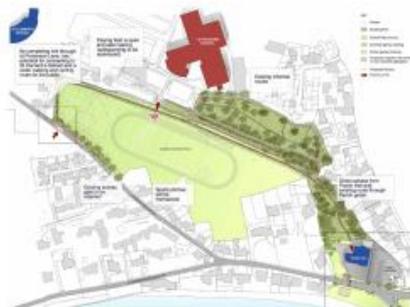
## Background and Objectives

- Around 400 students at Le Rocquier School are from Le Squez / Le Marais area.
- Around 140 regularly walk or cycle via Maupertuis Lane.
- A similar number travel the same route by car but could walk or cycle.
- New residential development likely to increase students walking and cycling the route.
- Proposed field paths would link to this route.



## OTHER INITIATIVES IN THE AREA

### Le Hocq to Pontorson Lane Path



- Public Consulted
- Presented to Parish Assembly
- Planning Consent already applied for (Approved)
- Construction Planned for 2017

### Rue de Maupertuis (not approved yet)



# ST CLEMENT'S SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS

# ISSUES:

## MAIN LOCATION WHERE WALKERS / CYCLISTS CONFLICT WITH MOTOR VEHICLES:



## 1. RUE DE MAUPERTUIS BENDS ISSUES:

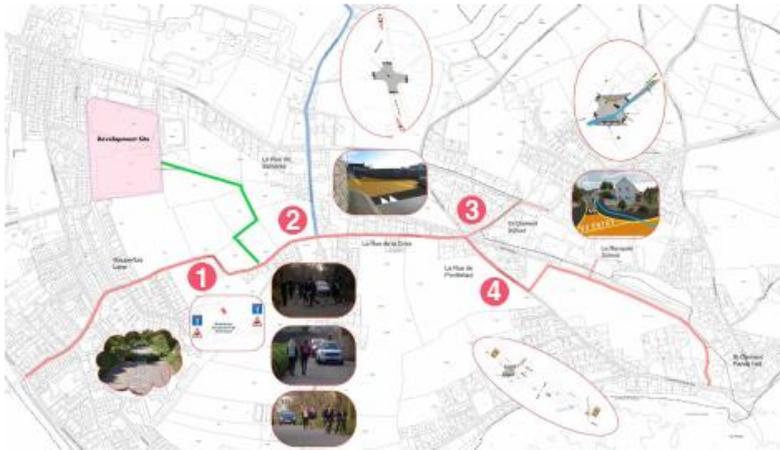


- Two way traffic on the narrow lane
- Poor visibility at the sharp narrow bends
- Conflict between the traffic and pedestrians/cyclists

# ST CLEMENT'S SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS

# PROPOSALS:

## SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS



1. RUE DE MAUPERTUIS BENDS
2. SAMARES LANE JUNCTION
3. PONTLIETAUT LANE JUNCTION
4. ENTRANCE TO PLAYING FIELDS/  
NEW PATH



### 1. RUE DE MAUPERTUIS BENDS

#### Improvements at the Maupertuis:

- Road closed to through traffic, access to premises only
- Minimises the amount of traffic and helps to reduce speed
- Allows unrestricted cyclist and pedestrians access
- Reduces conflict between the traffic and pedestrians/cyclists particularly at sharp bends



# ST CLEMENT'S SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS

# PROPOSALS:



## 2. RUE DE SAMARES JUNCTION

### Improvements at the Maupertuis Lane junction:

- Raised table - emphasise the junction and raises drivers awareness, helps to reduce speed



## 3. RUE DU PONTLIETAUT - RAISED TABLE

### Improvements at the Rue du Pontlietaut junction:

- Raised table - helps to reduce speed and make crossing the road easier
- Narrowed road - directs and slows down traffic flow, it is easier to cross
- Built out pavement directs pedestrians flow and helps to cross the road
- Reduces the conflict between the traffic and pedestrians/cyclists



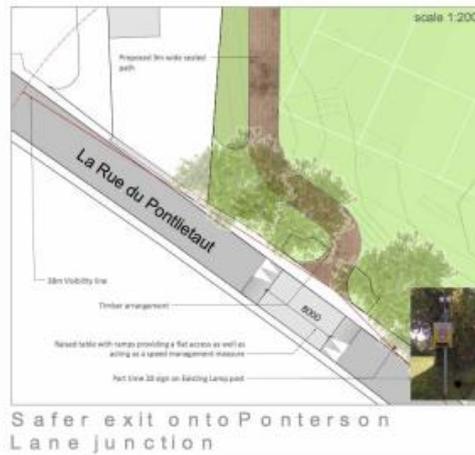
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# PROPOSALS:

## 4. CYCLE ENTRANCE TO PLAYING FIELD



### La Rocquier School cycle path proposal (to be build in Summer 2017)



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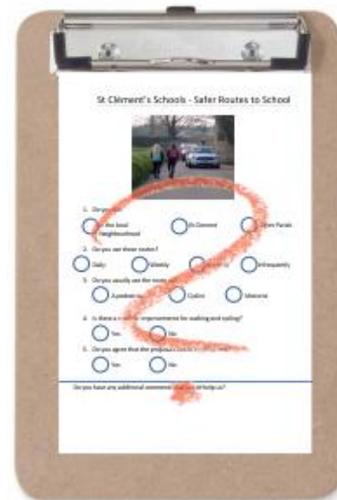
# WHAT'S NEXT



## PUBLIC CONSULTATION



*Please complete a questionnaire so that we can take your opinion into account; please return them today or by the of this week*



# ST CLEMENT'S SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS

## St Clement's Schools - Safer Routes to School



Are you commenting as a: **Student**  **Parent / Guardian**  **Local Resident**

1. Do you live:

In the local Neighbourhood

St Clement

Other Parish

2. Do you use these routes?

Daily

Weekly

Monthly

Infrequently

3. Do you usually use the route as?

A pedestrian

Cyclist

Motorist

4. Is there a need for improvements for walking and cycling?

Yes

No

5. Do you agree that the proposals would be of benefit?

Yes

No

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Do you have any additional comments that would help us?

Please continue overleaf

## Appendix B – Free Form Comments

Ref	Comment
2	Stagger school hours
3	This will make the roads a lot safer for all our students
11	Hopefully but with wider objectives of cycling / walking route all the way to St Helier
12	Excellent idea to make Maupertuis Lane a No Through Road - Great to have cycle / foot access across fields to Samares- Marina Road and hopefully to continue further to town
13	It will be a good idea to teach the children the highway code
14	If these routes are approved, there is absolutely no need for a cycle track to be constructed in good agricultural fields from Samares Nurseries. This will only encourage further development
18	Particularly for children to learn the Highway Code. Not against the traffic calming measures but more needs to be done concerning the parking of cars in Pontorson Lane and the end of Rue de la Croix into Pontorson Lane has cars parked there at times block the road which could make it a problem for emergency vehicles and makes it difficult to use Pontorson Lane properly. Children should be educated on how to use the roads as at the moment they block the roads when walking and cycling and do not move out of the way. They also race across the yellow line from Rue de la Croix into Samares Lane without stopping. There have been incidents in the past at that junction with a cyclist coming off his bike into the path of a car because the cyclist did not respect the code of the road. With a table to slow traffic cyclists will only use that to race even more across the yellow line.
19	Concerns over parking in Rue de la Chapelle and Ponterson Lane - lines of sight / access for fire/emergency vehicles maybe a problem currently. Will this be affected by changes?
21	Live in Rue de la Croix and see issues daily at both Ponterson Lane and Samares crossroads. The road calming idea is much needed. However, 2 extra things to really look at are: Speed limits on Rue de la Croix/Rue de Maupertuis. -Constant parking of about 10 cars on the left hand side of Pontorson Lane during school day. It is a bit of luck whether you can pass the cars safely before another car comes the opposite way. You are in the other side of the road approaching a busy school junction with no-where to pull in (know these cars are [REDACTED]) I also frequently see cars parking on the yellow line along the corner at the Halt and cars going through the No Entry into Rue de la Chappelle to enter the housing close along the old railway line
22	Speed bumps in Rue de Maupertuis and Rue de Samares. 20mph at all times - pavements if there are any are only very narrow
23	Any measures to slow down traffic and reduce noise would be welcome
24	Yes I believe the proposals will help cyclists and pedestrians (safety)
26	General health of Jersey
27	If there is a No Through Road the cyclists and pedestrians can come via Le Squez estate to and from Maupertuis Lane

46	Stop cars parking in road. Hard for kids to get pass. Cars also park on pavements so you have to go on road
90	Picture shows cyclists riding 3 abreast- highlighting the fact that teenagers who cycle need to be more road aware. Appreciate that wherever possible cyclists / pedestrians need to be kept separate from vehicles however I'm not sure closing lanes off is necessarily the solution. Maupertuis Lane being closed off would increase traffic on Pontorson Lane and Samares Lane potentially making both crossroads more dangerous for cyclists pedestrians. walked route as both a student and parent and have never seen or heard of any accidents amongst these lanes on the times in question as most people using the lanes are parents driving their children to / from school and as such are fully aware of the amount of cyclists and children in the lanes at these times so therefore drive at an appropriate speed.
91	But: Not sure they go far enough. Has the raised platform reduced speed in other areas? [REDACTED] Rue de Samares and Rue de la Croix. I often hear brakes screeching, cars racing at excessive speeds passed house and cars tooting as they near the junction and continue at the same speed. It is an accident waiting to happen and fear that the road could become even faster with these improvements.
92	Education. Respect from all road users-especially pedestrians (school pupils). Always walk facing the traffic when in a pack, be considerate and respect that a vehicle will hurt you (common sense). Be aware of surroundings - all users. Don't waste resources when there are far better things to fund. Introduce filter in turn at junctions- automatically reduces speed yet allows flow.
93	Think the ideas are good, but for more safety the school time/ general parking issue on Pontorson Lane/ Rue de la Croix junction needs to be looked at - yellow line areas on junction /corners need bollards/planters to stop silly parking
94	I agree with proposals 2,3,4. Proposal 1: I don't see the need for the planter. I run along that road on a daily basis and feel that the overall traffic volume doesn't provide a high enough risk to justify essentially closing the road. For larger vehicles (dust carts, oil delivery, other delivery) I see placing a planter as an increased risk as on accessing the area would be unable to drive through and have to attempt reversing or turning which would provide a greater risk. During school traffic I see the benefit but a permanent blockage I don't agree with. I think the perception of the risk outweighs the actual risk and on a risk review it would be considered unnecessary and a frustration during other hours.
97	Main concern is at the junction of Rue de la Chappelle and Pontorson Lane, during school finishing time. Illegal parking will create a blackspot that will impede the safety of both cyclists and walkers
98	Rue de Samares 15mph
99	But need to educate children to use the roads properly. Have residual concerns about speed increases generated by concept of reduced usage- ' no one else on the road so I can go as fast as I want
100	Would hopefully aid to slow traffic in Rue de Maupertuis as an issue with speed along windy road. I would feel safer for my child and myself. An issue with cars passing in and out of school time, would help reduce the amount of large vehicles that use this route as a through road.
103	Wonderful idea for Maupertuis Lane. An accident waiting to happen. Also the rest of the children will be safer
107	I think the proposals are a very good idea

112	Very disappointed there is no suggested solutions or even comment regarding what will happen to the traffic that will continue to travel to any of the schools. Where will all this traffic go- Rue de Samares, Pontorson, Rue de la Croix? All these lanes are already extremely dangerous for pedestrians, cyclists with either no or completely inadequate pavements and 'safe' routes. I am supportive of this project in principle but it has clearly not been thought through very well.
113	Waste of time - children will still be delivered by car but on a longer route, so more pollution and congestion. Leave Rue de Maupertuis open!
114	No to road closure. 15mph Green Lane would be sufficient, road closure would mean access only from Coast Road which has enough congestion already. Speed humps would also make it safer before and after the proposed closure area
115	A cheaper option would be to spend the time and money on employing someone during the busy times (say to and from school hours) to police the roads and educate the children not to walk 4 abreast and cycle in the middle of the road they have to share with motorists
116	School children should be taught the rules of the road. To provide for the children 1 hour in the morning, 1 hour in the afternoon, five days a week term time only is it necessary to close off Maupertuis Lane 24/7. 1) on the blind bend by the farm-a mirror could be placed. 2)Maupertuis could become 15mph 3) lane could be made 1 way with a separation for walkers/cyclists 4) If road closed, there will be much more traffic exiting into Coast Road 5)any requirement to travel east will necessitate exit to Coast Road and then more traffic up samares Lane 6)at least 50% of my journeys are eastbound 7)the school children are 11+ -surely they should know the rules of the road. One of the problems is that boys on cycles ride slowly and all over the road so that they can keep up with their friends who are walking 8) a post of some kind which can be triggered out of the ground at the same time as the lights flash when approaching school, closing the road just for school hours 9)one very dangerous place is exiting Rue de la Croix at east exit. Traffic travelling south down Pontorson Lane is over on the right hand side of the road because there is always a number of parked cars. It is blind exit for traffic
118	Suggest La Blinnerie/ Samares Lane crossing improved first as all extra traffic will go via Samares Lane and the above crossing is lethal now.
119	Children need to be taught road safety. They walk 4 abreast the road with ear phones in so they don't keep to the side. The issue of the rat run are caused by parents taking children to school with no regard for others. Perhaps parents and school should teach green cross code. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] I see children of all ages and they have no idea about how to behave on the road. The Parish has been made 30mph speed limit. When I walk from Le Marias to St Clement's football club on the inner road the speeds appear to be in excess of 45mph. How much will these alterations cost, will it be another St Marys?
120	The closing of Rue de Maupertuis is unnecessary. Why should local residents be inconvenienced 7 days a week, 24 hours a day for the sake of approx 5-10 hours of school use per week. On many occasions the children run across the road in front of cars or walk several abreast with no interest in the traffic around them. By all means use traffic calming measures but please do not close the road.
121	Not at all. No need to close Rue de Maupertuis. No accidents/injury to pedestrians
122	Some. I don't agree with shutting Rue de Maupertuis I use it quite a bit and having a young family I have to use the car and Rue de Maupertuis is my main way of my journey. I agree with calming traffic down and slowing traffic but stopping it completely I think is silly all you're doing is causing



<p><b>134</b></p>	<p>I have just seen this e-mail regarding the proposed Safer Routes, I have only seen this because I am on the e-mailing list of the Parish. I have checked the JEP classifieds for today and there is nothing regarding this Drop In Session. On another note the number of residents that live in Le Marais, Le Benefice and Le Petit Marais as well as Le Petit Hinguettes, La Selliere are numerous. [REDACTED]. So I suggest that this is advertised correctly and that an evening Drop In can be arranged so hard working people of the parish can attend. Did DFI think they could just get this passed if most of the Parishioners didn't know about it. Does traffic calming measures mean a replay of St Mary's, St Aubin's recent road works and costs? [REDACTED], so I remember when you could drive from St Clements Inner Road to Rue De Maupertuis through Le Squez Estate and the traffic was two-way. I remember a few years ago there was a very bad traffic accident on the Coast Road just before rush-hour, the Parish Police diverted east bound traffic along Rue de Maupertuis. The speed limit has changed throughout the Parish. But when walking along the Inner Road to St Clements Football Pitch the speed of some far exceeds the 40 miles per hour. As I have seen children in Le Marais, on the roads walking or cycling they have no idea of the highway code or the dangers on roads. But surely the parents and Education should make sure they know the highway code. Such as The Cycling Proficiency Test before taking your bike on the road to school, but perhaps this has been dropped due to the cost? If children aren't taught how to use the public highway then they won't know any better as an adult! I did a school run some years ago to Grainville School, and the worst drivers I have ever seen are Parents, they drive anywhere and park anywhere regardless of if their actions are safe or not. Perhaps the Parish Police could place themselves on roads around the schools and witness the poor road behaviour of School Children and Parents.</p>
<p><b>135</b></p>	<p>It would be interesting to know what happened to the responses which were made for the last "email shot" on this subject.</p>
<p><b>136</b></p>	<p>Do you consider that barely 24hrs sufficient is sufficient notice of you drop-in Session for a project which will change the lives of residents of this area. During the weekend I have made contact with residents of Rue de la Croix, Rue de Samares, Rue de Maupertuis, and Rue de Pontlietaut and it would appear that St. Clement's Parish Magazine is not as well read as perhaps you and the editorial team would wish. I wish to state that I am not against the proposed safety measures per se but I am against what is being perceived as an attempt to slip these proposed changes in "under the radar". I have watched the ITV news coverage and find it unsurprisingly very biased towards your proposal. I therefore request that rather than a one to one presentation, you voluntarily hold another open presentation, similar to the one held for the Parish Hall cycle track. I suggest the Parish Hall at a more suitable time of day and at a date properly publicised giving residents and Parishioners in general the opportunity to attend and express their views on a project which will have a massive affect on the area in which we live. In the recent past a speed meter was fitted [REDACTED] in Rue de la Croix can you please tell me who has the data obtained.</p>
<p><b>137</b></p>	<p>I am writing to object to the consultation process on the proposed safer routes to St Clement Schools. [REDACTED], [REDACTED] have the following objections to the process so far: Parishioners were informed via a parish newsletter only one week before the consultation meeting took place. [REDACTED]. [REDACTED]. [REDACTED]. The</p>

consultation meeting was held at Le Rocquier School and was therefore aimed to attract parents of children at that school. Residents without children at that school wishing to meet would therefore be in the minority and, for some of the more elderly residents, it would have been an intimidating prospect. The meeting was on a weekday between 3-5.30pm. Again, this was aimed to attract parents collecting from Le Rocquier school at that time. No working parent would have been able to attend nor would any other working resident. It feels like it was designed to be an under the radar meeting. The consultation process is only for 6 days. This is not long enough for a proper consultative process. [REDACTED]. As we were not, as key residents, able to attend the poorly advertised consultation meeting, it may be that some of the issues raised below have been considered. In the absence of such information, we have the following points in relation to the proposal:

1. Pedestrianisation of Rue de Maupertuis

This is a blunt instrument to effect change which is only required (if at all) for one hour in the morning and one hour in the afternoon, term time only. Rue de Maupertuis is an important route for us to access town and the west of the Island. I do not use Rue de Samares as it is a single track road with a dangerous, horrid junction with La Grande Route de la Cote. It has a mirror which is difficult to use and the coast road is typically very busy in the morning and evenings. In order to let vehicles pass each other on Rue de Samares, one typically needs to mount the narrow pavement. More traffic will use this route if Rue de Maupertuis is closed to traffic and it will be much more dangerous for the many school children, residents and dog walkers using this road. The Inner road from Rue de Samares going north is also a four way junction with cars and dog walkers coming from La Blinerie (a Green Lane) as well as many school children, school buses plus traffic from both directions. Traffic and pollution on La Blinerie, a green lane, is going to increase with people cutting through to Longueville to avoid the already dreadful queues at the tennis courts at St Clement. The only other option is to travel up Rue de la Croix, which has many houses and elderly residents, and cars frequently parked on both sides and then to turn left onto Rue de Pontlietaut and then again onto St Clements Inner Road. This is even more dangerous as at peak times, school children and cyclists are weaving in and out of the cars, usually walking 3 or 4 abreast with headphones and with very little regard for traffic. Closing Rue de Maupertuis is going to dramatically increase the traffic on Rue de la Croix. It is an accident waiting to happen. Due to the two blind corners on Rue de Maupertuis, cars are typically very cautious and do not drive at speed. To my knowledge, there have not been any injuries caused to school children who again, are usually walking in groups or some cut across the fields. What is the status of the application to build a cycle track on Rue de Maupertuis. I cannot now find any information on this online and yet I do remember a draft consent/consultation in relation to this extension of the Eastern Cycle corridor. Surely any cycle track could be shared use with pedestrians? Is this infrastructure change a way of improving the chances for the Samares Nurseries development by Andium Homes? All of the traffic problems listed above are only going to be exacerbated by the arrival of 200 new families at the Samares Nurseries development.

2. Proposed raised table at the Rue de Maupertuis junction

We moved from [REDACTED] and were very relieved to leave the speed bumps and raised tables behind. There is no evidence that speed bumps help to reduce speed. In fact, typically it encourages drivers to speed, particularly with a raised table there is space to accelerate before

	<p>taking off again! This will be particularly marked if there is no vehicular access to Rue de Maupertuis. Rue de Samares will become a fast rat run between the inner and coast roads at St Clement. Speed bumps increase the pollution in the area, with vehicles having to slow down and speed up again, and it is very noisy. [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]. Has any thought been given to putting a zebra crossing along the junctions on Rue de Samares instead? Or a Lollipop lady at peak times?</p> <p>3. Rue de Pontlietaut Raised table</p> <p>As stated above, there is no evidence that a raised table reduces speed. It increases environmental pollution in an area with lots of schools. Again, why can't you put a zebra crossing here? This will alert drivers to the likelihood of pedestrians crossing. The visual splay at this junction is already very good indeed. Also, you need to put double yellow lines as we get parents parking on the northern sector of Rue de la Croix which means if you are trying to turn right into Rue de la Croix from Rue de Pontlietaut you have to swing very wide to access the lane. What evidence is there of threat to the children at this junction. Has anyone actually been injured? In general, while I understand that there needs to be a safe walking route to school, I have not seen any evidence of the requirement for these dramatic and expensive 'precautions;. Most children at St Christophers are driven to school by parents or on the minibuses and do not walk. Most children at St Clements School are accompanied by their parents. The Le Rocquier children would be better served by educating them about walking in single file and not listening to music while crossing roads or walking 4 abreast. I look forward to receiving details of a more meaningful consultation and evidence for these expensive and, in my view, heavy handed proposed consultations.</p>
<p>138</p>	<p>[REDACTED] and egress from the car port is often hampered by poor parking opposite, on the north side of the road, 15m from the junction. Can this area be protected by a yellow line please. Also, vehicles park on the right side of the road, rue le Pontlietaut, north of the junction, causing southbound traffic to travel on the wrong side of the road when approaching the junction. This is a hazard for both pedestrians and vehicles exiting Rue de la Croix.</p>
<p>139</p>	<p>The sooner the better these proposed changes are carried out. In the interim maybe make Rue De Maupertuis a 15mph and police it like you do Le Blinerie. I've been using this route to Le Rocquier at 8am and 3pm only going, not returning as it is so jam packed with kids that it's unpassable, for the last [REDACTED] years. [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED] I have had a few near misses in the lane especially with mopeds speeding from the opposite direction, and sometimes cars. Put a spanner in the works when a large removal van, an oil tanker or a flat bed lorry comes zooming through this lane at 30mph as that is the speed limit, which is far too fast. It's not only school Kids, there are dog walkers , general walkers and I even came across a man walking a Shetland pony down there one day. Years ago I used to cut through Le Squez until they closed the road but that was a far safer option than Rue De Maupertuis. When</p>

	<p>making this lane no entry to cars maybe some kind of other barrier rather than planters as I bet the motorcycles and mopeds will still go down there as a short cut regardless of the no entry signs. The sooner this lane is sorted the better. Kids walk 4 or 5 abreast with earphones in totally oblivious to cars behind them trying to get through. I've had children mess around and push their friend literally into the path of my car. [REDACTED] go no more than 20mph down there, any faster and it's too dangerous. Another thing to think of is every route to Le Rocquier is via a lane from Le Squez/ Le Marais. Samares Lane, Ponterson Lane and le Hocq Lane. So there is no main road into school. Another huge issue is at 3pm both schools coming out at the same time is madness. In my opinion when Le Rocquier used to come out at 3.10pm at least St Clement School was clear. It's chaos, [REDACTED] Rue De la Chapelle at 3.05pm daily and with all the cars parked outside St Christopher's, with parents picking up from St Clements it's a disaster. There should be barriers continued along there to prevent on road parking. There are cars squeezing past the parked cars and others having to mount the cobbled pavement on the left. There are mounds of primary schools kids and you have to really concentrate on the left no to knock a pupils arm Or their bag. That road is not wide enough for 2 cars. [REDACTED] Ponterson lane [REDACTED] is a disaster with le Rocquier kids walking in the road and exiting the field on their bikes, doing wheelies up the road riding 4 a breast sometimes and looking behind them totally oblivious to oncoming cars!! Even then this lane is too narrow at most points for 2 cars. [REDACTED] I never see school teachers or honorary police policing the situation. It's dyer and I really don't know how there hasn't been more accidents. Nearly every day we witness so many close calls. Let's get this sorted and keep our parish school kids safe.</p>
<p>140</p>	<p>I applaud the Parish in their attempt to reduce fast moving traffic on these routes. [REDACTED] have first-hand experience on a daily basis as to how much this road is used as a fast cut-through by various drivers, at various times of the day, seven days a week. It not only puts school children at risk, but out of school hours it puts normal pedestrians at risk as they enjoy the countryside walks. One suggestion I would have is on the plan item "1" (Rue du Maupertuis bends) it shows 1 x planter in place to prevent through traffic. I would politely suggest that 3 x planters be used, placed in a tight "chicane" format, as to place one would still allow fast motorcycles to have access at speed. (the main culprits and danger threat as I would see it currently.) This tight "chicane" format would still allow walkers and cyclists ease of access but would prevent the motorcyclists from doing so at speed. This could be placed at the south of the opposite field entrances to allow the farmer access to the fields. (the same position as when they were placed when the road was closed during repair work to the sewage water pipes a few years back.)</p>
<p>141</p>	<p>[REDACTED] went to both St Clement and Le Rocquier School. We campaigned for years for a lower traffic speed on this road although of course now it is at least subject to a max of 30mph. However, these proposals do nothing to teach children to exercise caution in crossing at these junctions. In addition, raised ramps is not the answer - particularly on Rue de la Croix. where ramps will only be used as fun-ramps by young cyclists which will launch them into Samares Lane at greater speed. I am also particularly opposed to the proliferation of signage in the parish. There is a sign on a lamp-post at every turn, more signs do not mean better safety in fact I believe that motorists become blind to them. I also do not agree to any signage on the road at the Rue de Samares junction showing school children given that it is at least a quarter of a mile to the nearest school. Bearing in mind that the schools are only open during term time and school children are only using these</p>

	<p>crossings twice a day; these proposals are wholly inappropriate. if children crossing at these junctions at certain times of days during term-time are to have right of way then a system commensurate with that challenge should be considered but these proposals are nothing more than an expensive attempt to signal traffic calming. I shall continue to resist the continued proliferation of signage and urbanisation of the parish. It will not make these junctions safer for children</p>
142	<p>I am so relieved to see that something is going to change regarding the very dangerous roads to and from St Clements schools.. It has been an accident waiting to happen. I agree with your changes but also feel Rue des Samares should be looked at also. [REDACTED] years and the through traffic has increased excessively. Motor bikes speed down the lane, lorries taking short cuts... it's endless. Children walk to school this way as well and I am surprised is road has not been taken into consideration and made traffic to premises only. The lane seems to be used mostly as a through road to the inner road which is not necessary. [REDACTED] was nearly run into the wall at the bend nearer the top of the lane near Rue de Maupertuis by a speeding car. I also feel that pupils who cycle should be made more aware that it is necessary to stop at the yellow lines. Since taking [REDACTED] to Samares School since last September it's been just pure luck I have not seen a pupil run down. It is time that St Clement had some proper cycle lanes as have most other Parishes and I am in agreement with any reasonable idea that will make these roads and lanes safer for all.</p>
143	<p>[REDACTED] Rue du Pontlietaut and it is a very dangerous road at certain times of the day. I often see mothers struggling with prams/ push chairs and young children on the narrow pavement and this forces them into the road which is not ideal. This also applies to school children walking to school with their friends. They often walk up from the coast road after getting off the bus and again they are forced to walk in the road. I would like some of the following points considered -1. Widen the pavement for the whole of Rue du Pontlietaut making it safer for everyone. 2. As the road is fairly straight cars do travel at speed. Maybe the speed limit should be lowered for the whole of Rue du Pontlietaut at the start and finish of the school day or lowered to 20 miles per hour permanently. At the moment there is only a speed restriction of 20 in force near St Clement primary school. 3. Mark the road surface on Rue du Pontlietaut with the speed limit. 4. Stop all parking around the junctions of Rue de la Croix and Rue du Pontlietaut. I must add that making this area safer is long overdue and any improvements are most welcome</p>
144	<p>Unfortunately I am unable to attend the consultation at the good companions club tomorrow night however I would like to comment on the proposal to the change of road. [REDACTED], I think the change is a good idea as it is dangerous for children walking down Rue de Maupertuis. However I think you should also extend the yellow line to cover the second entrance of Clos De La Mare as having cars parked under the light has coursed problems for years and by extending the yellow line this will help with making the lane safer for everyone</p>
145	<p>Since the closure of the road through Le Squez, there are only 2 exits. La mare Slipway or Rue de Maupertuis. If Rue de Maupertuis to La Grande Route de St Clement was closed to motor traffic all residents of Le Squez, Le Marais and le Benefice would have to go out via the coast road. At present it is difficult enough to get to the coast road and when Le Squez is finished it will be worse. Pupils only walk mornings and afternoons in term time. Some flashing lights, as are in use in other schools might suffice. Pupils should learn to walk into oncoming traffic and keep to the correct side of the road. In that way Rue de Maupertuis could remain open to traffic all through the year.</p>

146	The Children need to be educated to stop at the yellow line. Someone needs to attend the area at 3pm when they come out of school at junction of Rue de la Croix into Rue de Maupertuis. Only a waste of money again to put down some silly stuff on road. [REDACTED] lives in Rue de Maupertuis and we live in Rue de Samares. What a long way round to visit each other should it be No Through Road. However big tractors allowed for fields.
147	A complete closure of Rue de Maupertuis to traffic is not necessary, and would be a nuisance to those needing to get in that direction from Le Squez (not only during school term time, but at other times too). I presume the only other alternative would be to go via Green Island, only to end up a matter of yards from where you began? An allocated pedestrian 'path' along that road would be a much more logical solution, if common sense were to prevail - like the one in place on Rue de Jambart in St Clement. It would provide students with a safer route, and may in fact stop them from walking three or four abreast in the middle of the road – seemingly oblivious to the traffic coming from behind (a regular occurrence each morning). I appreciate that children's safety is the top priority, and that Rue de Maupertuis was closed for a long period not too long ago, but to close it voluntarily for the sake of 60 minutes each day, during term time only, seems a little drastic.
148	If Maupertuis Lane is closed permanently as is proposed, can attention be paid to the only Coast Road access junctions, at School Road and, particularly, the main one, exiting Maupertuis Lane at La Mare Slip? This latter junction now has to cope with far more traffic than was once the case, because of the extensive building which has taken place over the years with apparently little thought given to traffic flow. At peak times it's difficult and potentially dangerous to get on to the Coast Road. It's true that comparatively few people choose to use Maupertuis Lane "northwards", but it does provide an alternative route, otherwise the Coast Road will be the only means of getting to and from town, Gorey, Georgetown or the Inner Road and all areas beyond. Of course the children need to be kept safe and encouraged to continue to walk and cycle (please don't suggest bussing them home); but would there be any way of providing paths, leaving the already narrow lane for slow motor traffic? I'm sorry that I have no practical solutions to this problem which has been allowed to worsen over the past fifty years. I'm just suggesting that forcing traffic into ever-increasing circles to get from A to B is not necessarily the best way